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SUBJECT: IAEA PANEL ON POWER REACTORS OF INTEREST

TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, VIENNA,

NOVEMBER 18-21, 1974.

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1. REFTEL DISCUSSED WITH LANE, WHO FELT THAT FALL'S ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE AT SUBJECT MEETING WOULD BE MOST WELCOME, AS ALWAYS, AND THAT AGENCY WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE US OFFER TO PROVIDE HIM FOR MEETING AT USG EXPENSE, COVERING TRAVEL, PER DIEM AND CONSULTANT'S FEE FROM COST-FREE EXPERT FUNDS.

2. LANE REITERATED, HOWEVER, THAT FALLS WOULD NOT RPT NOT BE ENOUGH FOR PANEL TO BE ACCEPTABLE. POINT OF MEETING IS TO ELUCIDATE AND PUBLICIZE POTENTIAL MARKET IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES FOR NUCLEAR POWER REACTORS, AND AS SUCH, IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT PARTICIPANTS AND/OR OBSERVERS BE PRESENT FROM REPRESENTATIVE SAMPLING OF US REACTOR VENDORS AND ARCHITECT-ENGINEERS. LANE EXPRESSED PARTICULAR INTEREST IN PARTICIPANT FROM BABCOCK AND WILCOX, FOR SAME REASONS NOTED PARA 6 IEAE VIENNA 6049.

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3. AS POSSIBLE STRAW IN WIND, LANE MENTIONED THAT ONGOING

AGENCY STUDIES HAVE NOW UNCOVERED FOLLOWING RATHER INTERESTING AND SURPRISING FACT; THERE IS CONSIDERABLE NUMBER OF CASES WHERE IT IS NOT RPT NOW MORE ECONOMICAL FOR CERTAIN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TO PURCHASE REACTOR OF SIZE RANGE PRESENTLY AVAILABLE COMMERCIALY (I.E., 600 MWE) AND OPERATE IT BELOW RATED POWER (E.G. AT 300 MWE) THAN TO OPERATE EQUIVALENT AMOUNT OF OIL-FIRED CONVENTIONAL GENERATING CAPACITY. SUPPORTING FIGURES, COMPUTER RUNS AND DETAILS WILL BE MADE AVAILBLE TO PANEL MEETING. LANE OBSERVED THAT THIS SUBSTANTIALY INCREASED POTENTIAL MARKET IN DEVELOPING WORLD FOR REACTOR SIZES CURRENTLY AVAILABLE AND BEING SOLD, TO SAY NOTHING OF POTENTIAL MARKET FOR SMALLER SIZES CURRENTLY NOT AVAILABLE COMMERCIALY.

4. REQUEST THAT DEPT. AND AEC MAKE SPECIAL EFFORT TO SECURE ADEQUATE PARTICIPATION FROM US REACTOR VENDORS AND A-ES AT SUBJECT PANEL MEETING. PORTER

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